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PRESENCE OF MICROBES AND DETERMINING THEIR
PHYSIOLOGICAL STATUS
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EXAMINER: SANDRA SAUCIER

AMENDMENT

September 17, 2003

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 22, 2003, for which Applicants have filed two requests for 1 month extensions of time to 09/22/03 in which to file a response, please see the following attached sheets for Amendments. The undersigned attorney expresses appreciation for the office interview accorded the undersigned attorney and one of the inventors, Christopher R. Lloyd, on August 19, 2003. As agreed at the interview, Applicants submit herewith an attached affidavit attesting to support for their invention. The specification and claims have also been amended to reflect the understanding reached at the interview.